

b.) Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting comprising a surface layer and retroreflective element layer, ~~characterized in that with~~ at least one destructive layer ~~is provided between the surface and retroreflective element layers~~ constituting the retroreflective sheeting, that the resin constituting layers, said destructive layer ~~is being an~~ alicyclic polyolefin resin or alicyclic acrylic resin; and

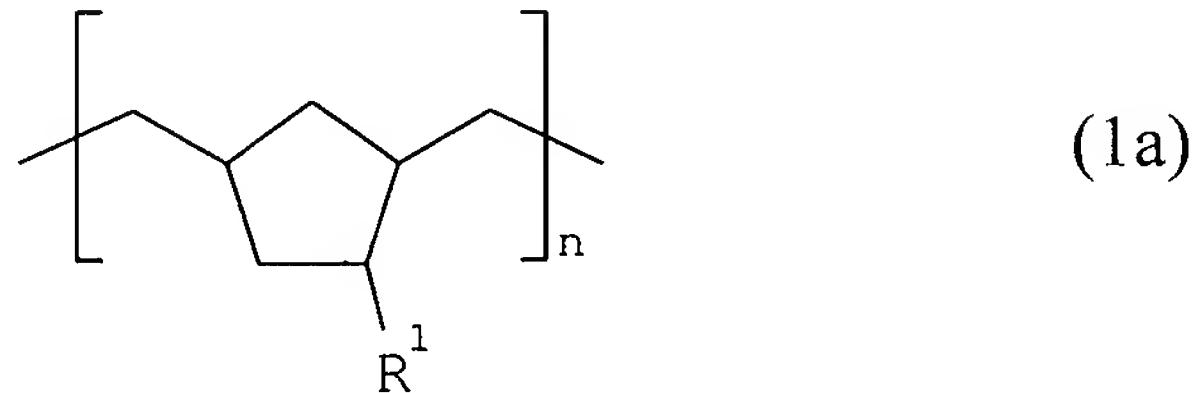
wherein, when the retroreflective sheeting ~~which is once stuck on has been applied to a substrate and is removed, peeled off from the substrate, that the peeling takes place at the interface of the destructive layer and the layer which is in intimate contact therewith and/or by destruction of the destructive layer.~~

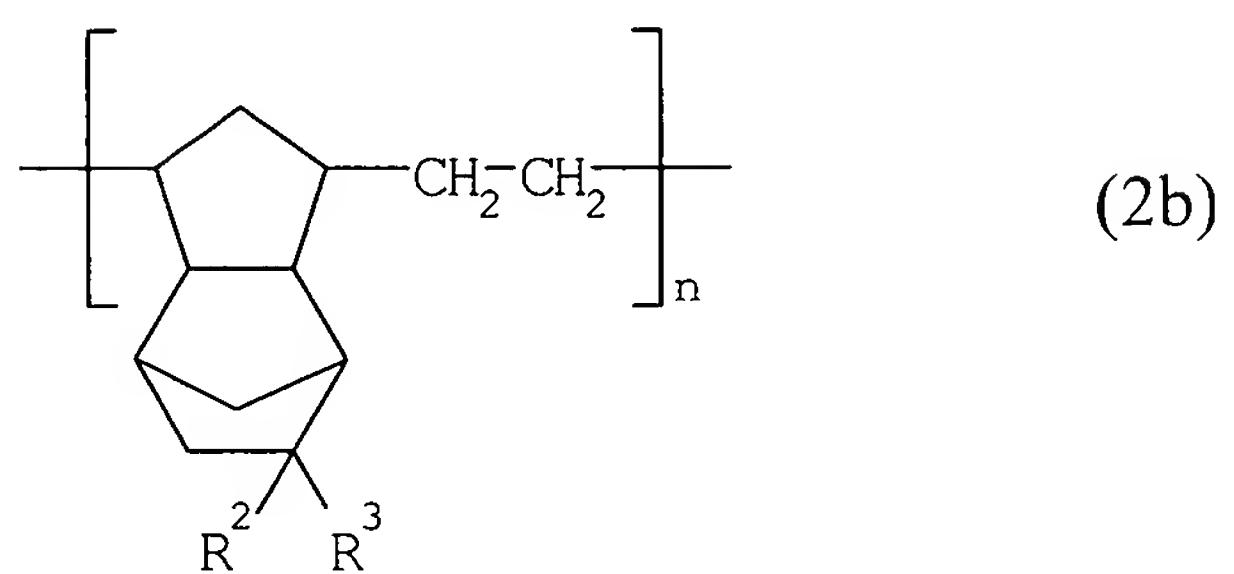
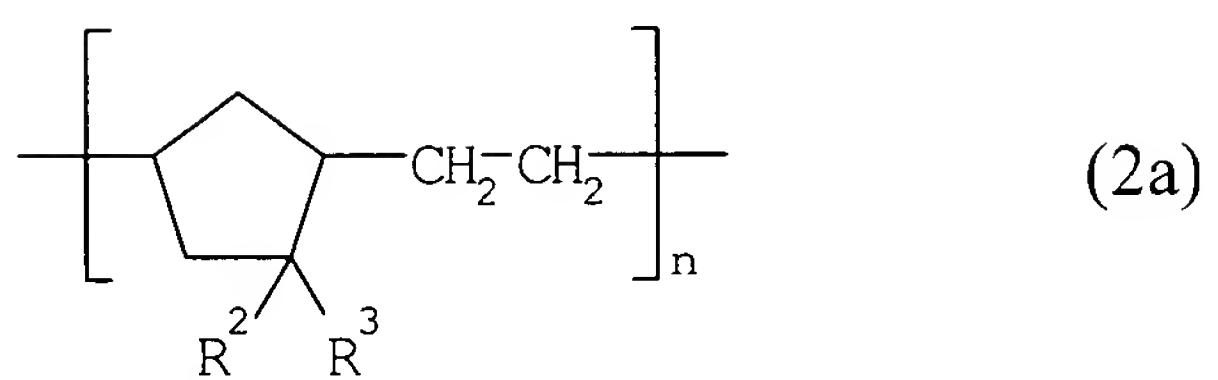
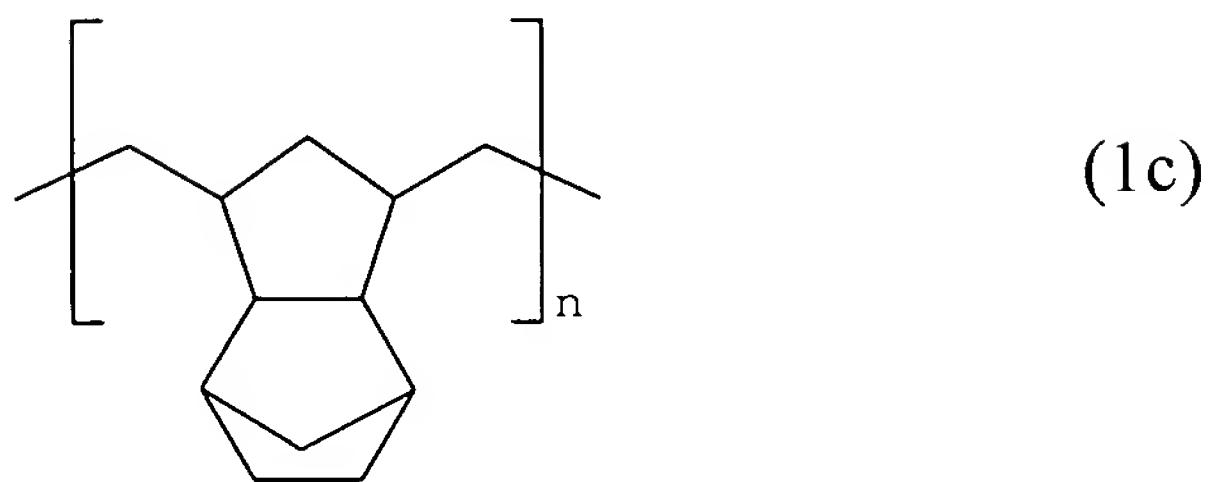
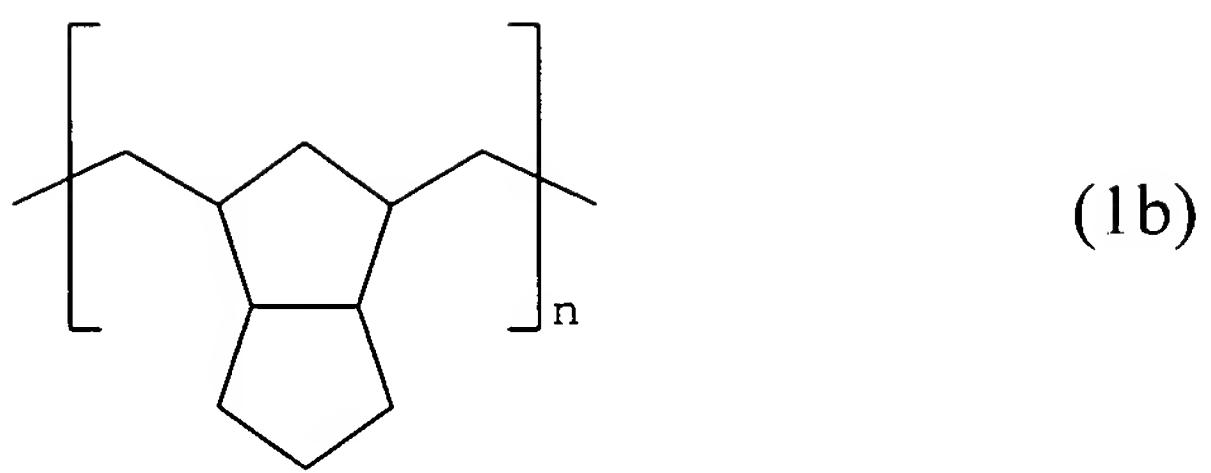
2. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a destructive layer according to Claim 1, characterized in that comprising an adhesive layer is further provided on the light-entering side surface of the retroreflective sheeting or on the on a side opposite to the a light-entering side of the retroreflective sheeting.~~

3. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a destructive layer according to Claim 1 or 2, comprising at least a surface layer, retroreflective element layer and an adhesive layer, which is characterized in that with~~ at least one destructive layer ~~is provided between the surface layer and any one two of the~~

these layers constituting the retroreflective element layer, that the resin constituting
wherein said destructive layer is an alicyclic polyolefin resin or alicyclic acrylic resin; and
wherein, when the retroreflective sheeting which is once stuck on has been
applied to a substrate and is removed, peeled off from the substrate, that the peeling takes
place at the interface of the destructive layer and the layer which is in intimate contact
therewith and/or by destruction of the destructive layer.

4. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting provided with a
destructive layer according to Claims 1 – 3, in which the resin consisting the destructive
layer resin is selected from the group consisting of cyclopentane resins (following
formulae 1a, 1b, or 1c), vinylcyclopentane resins (following formula 2a),
vinylcyclopentanorbornene resin (following formula 2b), and cyclohexadiene resin
(following formula 3a) and cyclohexane resin (following formula 3b):



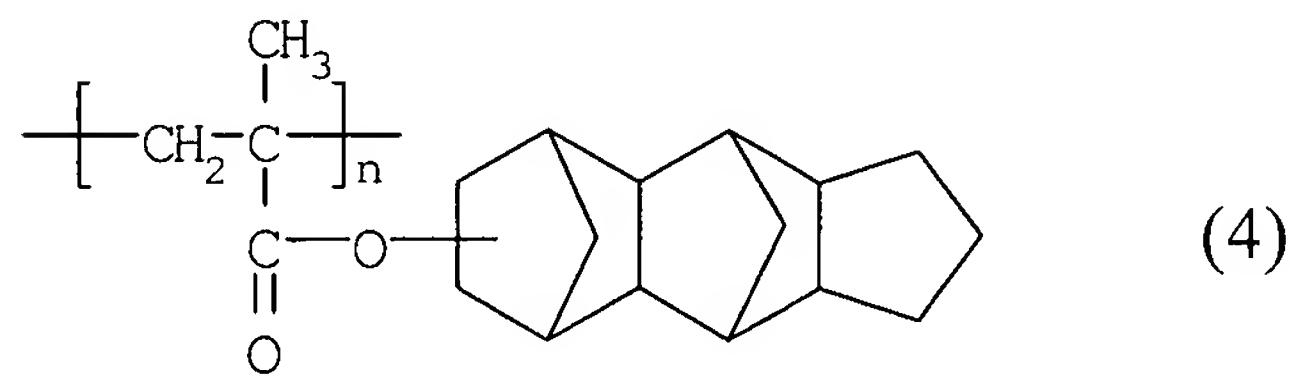


wherein

R¹ is hydrogen or cyclohexyl group, and

R² and R³ are independently selected from the group consisting of
hydrogen, methyl, cyano, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, cyclohexyloxycarbonyl and n-
butoxycarbonyl.

5. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a destructive layer according to Claims 1 – 3, in which the destructive layer resin alieyelie acrylic resin constituting the destructive layer is a methacrylic acid ester resin (following formula 4)~~



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Claims 6-7 Cancelled.

8. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a destructive layer according to Claims 1 – 4~~ Claims 1 – 3, in which the cyclohexadiene

~~resins (above formulae 3a and 3b) are~~ destructive layer resin is poly-1,3-cyclohexadiene resin ~~and or~~ polycyclohexane resin.

9. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a~~ ~~destructive layer according to any one of Claims 1 – 8~~ Claim 4, in which the retroreflective sheeting comprises enclosed lens-type or encapsulated lens-type micro-glass beads.

10. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a~~ ~~destructive layer according to any one of Claims 1 – 9~~ Claim 9, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the destructive layer is installed between the micro-glass beads and specular reflective layer.

11. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a~~ ~~destructive layer according to any one of Claims 1 – 10~~, ~~which is characterized in that~~ Claim 4, wherein the destructive layer has a peeling strength ranging from 0.1 to 15 N/25 mm.

12. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a~~ ~~destructive layer according to any one of Claims 1 – 11~~, ~~which is characterized in that~~ Claim 11, wherein the destructive layer has a glass transition point (Tg) of 90 – 190°C.

13. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting ~~provided with a destructive layer according to any one of Claims 1–12, which is characterized in that~~ Claim 12, wherein the destructive layer has a percent transmission of total light ranging from 75 to 99%.